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TAGS: PFOR WHO KS KN NL

SUBJECT: 26 TH WHO: NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO MEMBERSHIP

REF STATE 65086

1. SUMMARY: ROK COUNSELOR CALLED ON POLCOUNS APRIL 13 TO REPORT HIS EMBASSY'S APPROACHES TO GON ON THIS MATTER AND TO SEEK U. S. SUPPORT THEREFOR. END SUMMARY

2. ROK COUNSELOR SAID HIS EMBASSY HAS MADE SEVERAL APPROACHES TO DUTCH MFA, BEGINNING WITH AIDE MEMOIRE MARCH 30, REQUESTING DUTCH SUPPORT FOR ROK PROPOSAL THAT WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY (WHA) POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OF NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION FOR WHO MEMBERSHIP.
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LATEST APPROACH WAS APRIL 12, WHEN DUTCH WERE ASKED TO JOIN IN CO- SPONSORING ROK PROPOSAL. ROK CHARGE WILL CALL ON MFA POLITICAL DIRECTOR NEXT WEEK TO AGAIN PRESENT ROK CASE, SINCE ROK UNDERSTANDS EC POLITICAL DIRECTORS WILL DISCUSS NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION AT THEIR APRIL 25 MEETING IN BRUSSELS. ROK' S READING IS THAT, WITHIN EC, ONLY GOVERNMENTS NOT NOW FAVORING POSTPONEMENT OF NORTH KOREAN APPLICATION ARE FRENCH, DANES AND DUTCH, ALL OF WHOM HAVE RESERVED THEIR POSITIONS.

3. ACCORDING TO ROK COUNSELOR, EMBASSY SEOUL HAS ADVISED ROK THAT DUTCH ARE LIKELY TO GO ALONG WITH POSTPONEMENT.

4. ROK COUNSELOR DESCRIBED DUTCH MFA' S REACTION TO ROK' S APPROACHES AS " VERY CAUTIOUS," WITH DUTCH CONTENDING THAT IMPORTANT FOREIGN POLICY DECISIONS MUST BE DEFERRED UNTIL NEW DUTCH GOVERNMENT INSTALLED. HE SAID HIS EMBASSY HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THERE IS SYMPATHY WITHIN MFA FOR ROK PROPOSAL, BUT THAT GON " AT POLITICAL LEVEL" WANTS TO DEFER TAKING A POSITION. HE ALSO NOTED THAT RECENT DUTCH POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS HAVE MADE PROSPECTS FOR EARLY FORMATION NEW DUTCH GOVERNMENT QUESTIONABLE (EMBASSY COMMENT: WE AGREE), AND THAT GON WILL HAVE TO TAKE A POSITION BY MAY 7 WHETHER OR NOT A NEW DUTCH GOVT HAS BEEN FORMED BY THEN.

5. POLCOUNS INFORMED ROK COUNSELOR THAT U. S. WANTS TO BE HELPFUL IN THIS MATTER AND THAT INFORMATION HE HAD CONVEYED WOULD BE REPORTED.

6. PLEASE INSTRUCT.
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